

Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild
Gualala Arts Building
March 18, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President Lola DeLongoria welcoming those attending. 36 members were present. No visitors or guests.

Minutes of the February 18, 2011 meeting were read by Judy Riddle. Motion was made by Carol Tackett to accept minutes as read, seconded by Janet Windsor. Motion approved.

Program Committee: Carol Tackett: April 13-14, Workshop with Bonnie Toy, "Beginning Free Motion Quilting"; April 15, lecture by Terri Thayer "From First Quilt to First Novel"; Rose Hughes will present a one-day workshop on May 19, "Fast Pieced Appliqué", and a trunk show at the Guild meeting on May 20.

Need hosts for speakers. Hosts can attend workshops for free. Any suggestions or ideas for lecturers/workshops for 2012, please contact Carol Tackett. Contact Kalynn Oleson with lecturer/workshop ideas or suggestions for 2013.

Community Outreach: Barbara Dunsmoor: Opening reception for Quilt challenge has a reputation for having great horsd'oeuvres. A sign-up sheet was circulated, indicate on the sign-up if you intend to bring a savor or a sweet, preference is for savor. Bring your horsd'oeuvres to the GAC kitchen or to the conference room. Barbara Dunsmoor, Joyce Gaudet, or another designee will take the food into the reception area as it is needed. Deliver your food by 5:00 p.m. on April 1. Bring items in a serving dish ready for serving, not in a container where portions need to be dished out. Put your name on masking tape on the bottom of your dish so that your container can be returned to you. Prefer no paper plates be used as serving dishes.

Continuing Education Committee: Kalynn Oleson: nothing new to report.

Challenge 2011: Kalynn Oleson/Carol Tackett: Eighty entries have been submitted and more were coming! The goal of 50 entries was exceeded. An excited **Thank You** to everyone from Kalynn and Carol. Entries will be displayed in the Gallery, the Auditorium and any other available space. Deliver completed projects to the GAC auditorium on March 29 from 10:00 a.m. – noon. Post cards of the event were distributed, encouraging everyone to mail them to everyone, their relatives, their friends and their not friends.

Membership: Gail Spencer: Thank you to those who paid their membership dues. Guild now has 97 paid members, an additional 2 members were given an extended grace period. Kalynn reported one potential new member. This would bring the membership to 100. New members are welcome. Encourage interested people to join.

Publicity: Chris Smith: Workshops and meeting announcements were put in the ICO. ICO indicated they have limited space for articles and pictures. Will continue to publish whenever possible.

Newsletter: Janet Windsor: Deadline for submitting items for the newsletter is March 25.

Library: Mirka Knaster: nothing new to report. Kalynn announced the guild purchased three of Sherrill Kahn's books. They were given to Mirka to add to the Library.

Hospitality: Sylvia Keller: Thank you to everyone who brought goodies.

Comfort Quilts: Diane Cunningham: No comfort quilts were distributed last month. Say a prayer for Polly, who left for her scheduled trip to Japan after the earth quake/tsunami in Japan.

Quilts of Valor: Carol Tackett: more QOV are needed. Deadline is some time in May. Will deliver quilts to the VA in May or possibly in June.

Treasurer Report: Kalynn Oleson: After expenses, the ending balance is \$12,495.41

Name Tag drawing was won by Gail Spencer

New Business:

Lola announced the Soroptimists asked for donated quilts or wall hangings to be raffled at their wine tasting event. Sue Miller announced that Mirka Knaster had donated two beautiful wall hangings. Thank you, Mirka. More items would be welcome if others wanted to donate. Linda Bradbrook indicated the Soroptimists are partnering with GAC for the event and will be sharing the profits.

Kalynn circulated the latest issue of Quilter's World, noting on page 68 is an article on Going Green: The Organic Cotton Difference. There is a picture of a quilt by the Organic Quilting Company using organic fabrics produced by Harmony Art Organic Designs and listing Harmony's contact information as well as others as Organic Sources.

Show and Tell:

Carol Tackett showed two QOVs made by Sylvia Keller; Kalynn Oleson showed a stack and whack comfort quilt; Claire McPherson modeled a hat and scarf she will be making for the Christmas Boutique; Linda Bradbrook showed a purse she made in a class at Village Sewing.

Guest Speaker:

Carol Tackett introduced the Guest Speaker, Sherrill Kahn, instructor the last two days of "Painting with Pizazz", who presented a wonderful, informative slide show, and displayed some of her unique work, books and original stamps.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary